Yuma County HEOC/JIC COVID-19 DAILY UPDATE

3:00 PM, FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 2021

*****CURRENT SITUATIONAL REPORT*****

Yuma County Public Health District Update

Yuma County Health Officials confirm 6 new cases of COVID-19 and *2 new deaths, bringing the total cases to *36,562, and total deaths to 806. Health officials are conducting contact investigations.

The Yuma County Health District expects to receive additional COVID-19 vaccine this week as part of its continuing effort to work with area partners in administering vaccinations. When doses are received, they will be shared with area providers to accommodate vaccination clinics throughout the County. Please visit the [Arizona Department of Health Services – Vaccine Finder](#) for the most up-to-date information on where vaccine is currently available. The website is updated frequently.

*NOTE: Based on the ADHS/County Vital Records Surveillance information, deaths reported occurred as described below:

- 3/7/2021 (1)
- 3/8/2021 (1)

NOTE: All new cases of COVID-19 will include any positive cases from Yuma County Correctional Facilities and "Testing Blitz" locations.

- Arizona currently has 831,832 confirmed cases of COVID-19, resulting in 16,519 deaths
- Yuma County currently has 36,562 confirmed cases of COVID-19, resulting in 806 deaths
- Currently 136,296 Yuma County residents have been tested
- Currently 15 Yuma County Residents are hospitalized AS OF 8 am 03/12/21; please note the hospitalization numbers offer an accurate "snapshot" at the time of our daily update, but numbers may fluctuate throughout the day

Data is provisional and subject to change:

YUMA COUNTY COVID-19 UPDATE

CONFIRMED CASES	DEATHS	CASES BY AGE		
36,562	806	LESS THAN 20	5,332	15%
		20-44	16,131	44%
		45-54	5,608	15%
CASES BY GENDER	YRMC HOSPITALIZATIONS *	55-64	4,672	13%
FEMALE 18,283 50%		65+	4,819	13%
MALE 18,277 50%	15			
UNKNOWN 2 0%				

TOTAL TESTS	YRMC TOTAL IN ICU *	ARIZONA SURGE LINE TRANSFERS *
136,296	3	0 LAST 24 HOURS
		331 TOTAL

YRMC COVID-19 PATIENTS DISCHARGED *	YRMC VENTILATORS *	* REPORTED BY YRMC AS OF 8AM MARCH 12
2,407	11 IN USE	
	72 AVAILABLE	

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Yuma County Schools – Snapshot (reported weekly by ADHS)
CLICK HERE for - ADHS Updated EMERGENCY MEASURE (Schools) 2020-04

COVID-19 School Benchmarks

Community Transmission By Arizona County

This guidance outlines recommendations for K-12 schools to prepare for and respond to community spread of COVID-19 based on CDC's K-12 Operational Strategy and Indicators for Dynamic School Decision Making, and Arizona Department of Education's Roadmap to Reopening Schools. LEAs are encouraged to continue to partner with their local health department.

County	Case Rate	% Positivity	Transmission Level
Apache	Moderate	Low	Moderate
Cochise	Substantial	Moderate	Substantial
Coconino	High	Low	High
Gila	Moderate	Low	Moderate
Graham	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
Greenlee	Substantial	Low	Substantial
La Paz	Substantial	Low	Substantial
Maricopa	Substantial	Low	Substantial
Mohave	Substantial	Moderate	Substantial
Navajo	Substantial	Moderate	Substantial
Pima	Substantial	Low	Substantial
Pinal	High	Moderate	High
Santa Cruz	Moderate	Low	Moderate
Yavapai	Moderate	Low	Moderate
Yuma	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate

For additional information & the schools dashboard, visit azhealth.gov/schoolsCOVID19.

COVID-19 School Benchmarks

Indicators & Learning Delivery Recommendations

Community Transmission to Reflect Level of Community Risk

The first step in determining when and how to safely reopen schools involves assessing community transmission of SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19. CDC recommends the use of two measures of community burden to determine the level of community transmission. These measures are used to assess the incidence and spread of COVID-19 in the community, not the school itself. Risk is dependent on community level transmission and implementation of school and community mitigation strategies.

Indicator	Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
Total new cases per 100,000 persons in the last 7 days	0 – 9	10 – 49	50 – 99	≥ 100
Percentage of nucleic acid amplification tests (NAATs) that are positive during the past 7 days	<5.0%	5.0% – 7.9%	8.0% – 9.9%	≥ 10.0%

Recommended Implementation of Mitigation Strategies and K-12 School Learning Modes by Level of Community Transmission

Low Transmission	Moderate Transmission	Substantial Transmission	High Transmission
K-12 schools open for full in-person instruction		Elementary schools in hybrid learning mode or reduced attendance	
		Middle and high schools in hybrid learning mode or reduced attendance	Middle and high schools in virtual instruction unless they can strictly implement all mitigation strategies and have few cases.
			Schools that are already open for in-person instruction with successfully implemented mitigation strategies can remain open, but only if they continue to strictly implement mitigation strategies and have few cases

For detailed mitigation strategies and remarks see the K-12 School Guidance for COVID-19.

For additional information & the schools dashboard, visit azhealth.gov/schoolsCOVID19.

Yuma County Businesses – Snapshot (reported weekly by ADHS)

What is this dashboard?

ADHS Business Operations Dashboard
This dashboard is used to determine the level of community spread of COVID-19 in Arizona to provide information about business operations and allowed occupancy.

Time Frame
This dashboard does not look at the past two weeks due to potential lags in data.

Hover over the icon to get more information on the data in this dashboard.

Substantial Transmission
>100 cases per 100k, >10% percent positivity, >10% COVID-like illness

Moderate Transmission
10 - 100 cases per 100k, 5 - 10% percent positivity, 5 - 10% COVID-like illness
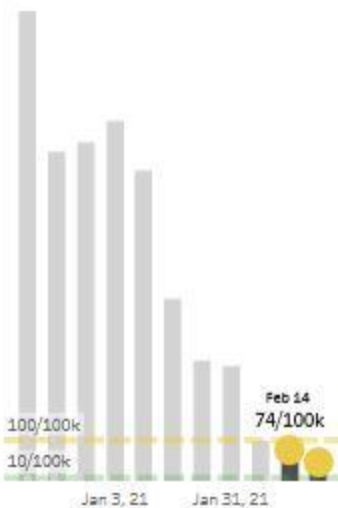
Minimal Transmission
<10 cases per 100k, <5% percent positivity, <5% COVID-like illness
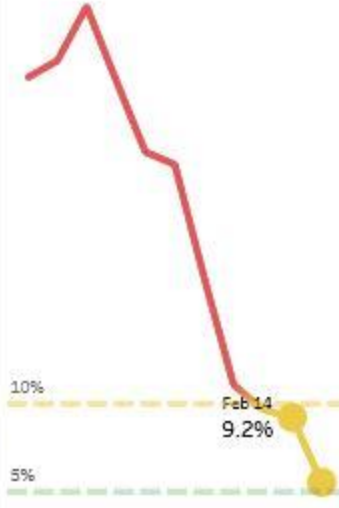
Showing data for **Yuma County** (Western Region)

Business Reopening Status: Moderate
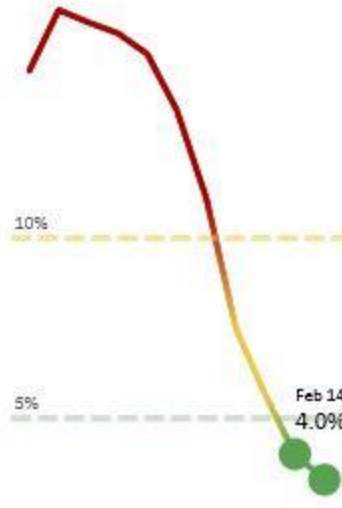
1) Cases per 100,000 individuals

100/100k
10/100k

Feb 14
74/100k

Jan 3, 21   Jan 31, 21

2) Percent positivity

10%

Feb 14
9.2%

5%

3) Hospital visits for COVID-like illnesses in the region

10%

5%

Feb 14
4.0%

Date Updated: 3/11/2021

Yuma County COVID-19 Positive Cases

Daily Positive Cases   Face Covering Mandate   Cumulative Positive Cases   7-Day Rolling Average

Yuma County COVID-19
Cumulative Tests and Positive Test Rate

Yuma County COVID-19
Deaths
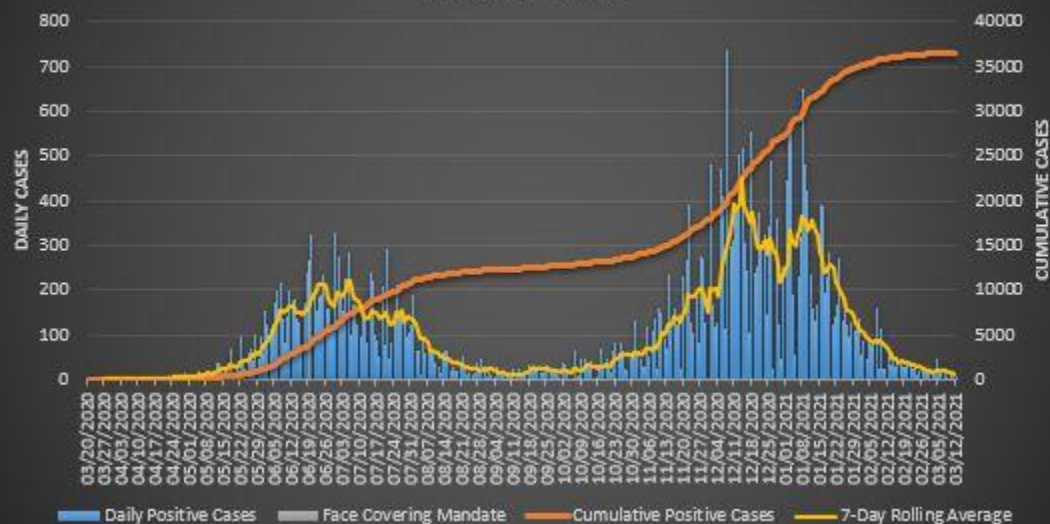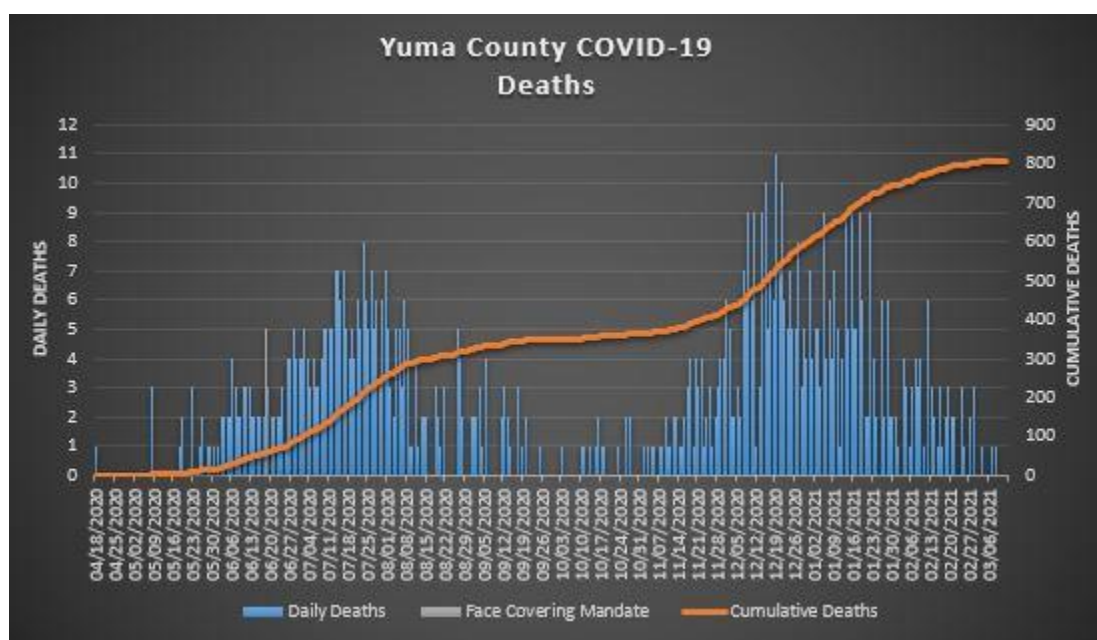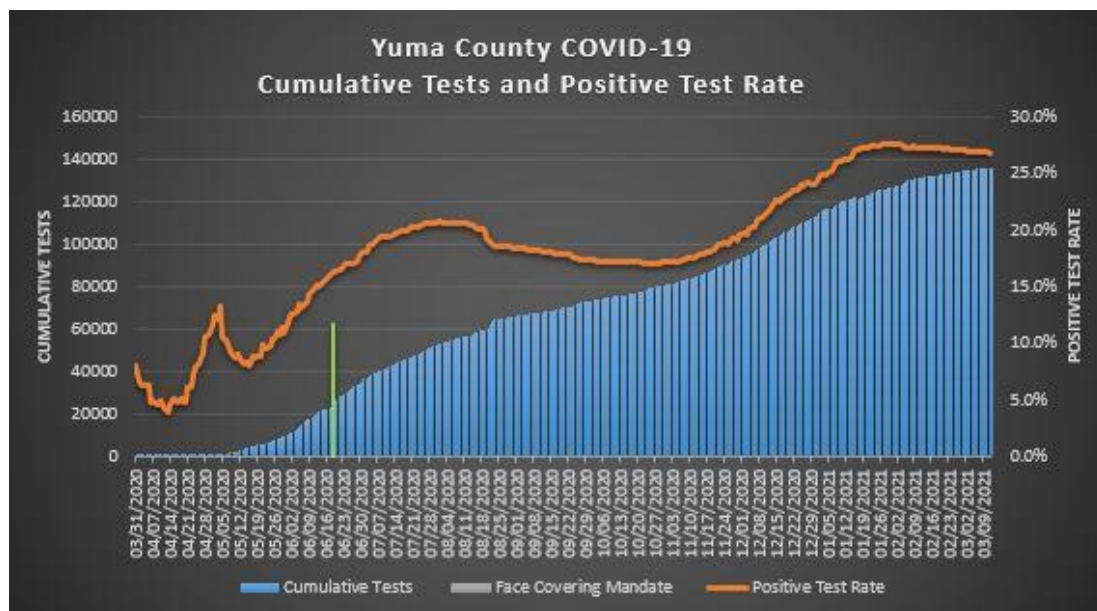
NOTE: Recently the UofA Center for Excellence in Desert Agriculture received funding approval from the Yuma County Board of Supervisors for a wastewater surveillance program. This would be used as a potential mitigation tool as part of a layered multi-faceted approach to address COVID-19. The public can learn more about this at the CDC's National Wastewater Surveillance System web page.

I HAVE RECEIVED MY COVID-19 TEST, NOW WHAT DO I DO?:

When you can be around others depends on different factors for different situations. By following these steps (follow the link) you can continue to help stop the spread:

English - What now?

Spanish – What now?

TESTING OPPORTUNITIES:

YRMC
2460 S Parkview Loop #2
Yuma, AZ 85364
(928) 336-2160
8:00 am-4:00 pm Mon-Fri
Must have a Doctor's order – By appointment
No fee to you with insurance
$125 without insurance
(25% discount for not having insurance, and 10% discount if paid within 30 days of test date)

YRMC – Foothills Walk-in Clinic
11142 S Scottsdale Dr
Yuma, AZ 85367
(928) 336-1815
8:00 am-1:00 pm Sat
Must have a Doctor's order – By appointment
No fee to you with insurance
$125 without insurance
(25% discount for not having insurance, and 10% discount if paid within 30 days of test date)

San Luis Walk In Clinic - SAN LUIS
1896 E. Babbitt Ln
San Luis, AZ 85349
(928) 722-6112
7:00 am-3:00 pm Mon-Fri
Rapid testing available
No fee to you with insurance 1 time
No appointments available, drive up testing
Antibody (COVID-19 past exposure test) & Swab (COVID-19 diagnosis test) and Flu Vaccines

San Luis Walk In Clinic - SOMERTON
950 E. Main St. Building B
Somerton, AZ 85349
(928) 236-8001
7:00 am-3:00 pm Mon-Fri
Rapid testing available
No fee to you with insurance 1 time
No appointments available, drive up testing
Antibody (COVID-19 past exposure test) & Swab (COVID-19 diagnosis test) and Flu Vaccines

NextCare
1394 W. 16th St
Yuma, AZ 85364
(928) 539-0055
8:00 am-8:00 pm Sun-Sat
www.nextcare.com – Check in online

Covid-19 Testing
Antibody Testing
No fee to you with insurance
$161 without insurance
Limited number available
Doctor determines if the test will be Rapid or Send off

San Luis Urgent Care
1233 N Main St Suite 1A
San Luis, AZ 85366
(928) 550-5514
9:00 am-9:00 pm Mon-Sat
NO RAPID TESTING AVAILABLE
Lab ONLY after evaluation with a doctor. Doctor determines if they will test.
No fee if you do not have insurance

Pinnacle Healthcare
4343 E 31st Place
Yuma, AZ 85365
(928) 341.4544
9:00 am-3:00 pm Mon-Fri
No appointment needed. Drive-thru
Send out testing - $50
Rapid testing - $75
No fee to you with insurance

Sunset Community Health Center -YUMA
675 S Avenue B,
Yuma, AZ 85364
(928) 539-3140
7:00 am-9:00 am Mon/Tue/Thurs - No appointment needed (First come First serve)
NO RAPID TESTING AVAILABLE
REGULAR TESTING: 175 Test kits per day
No fee to you with insurance
No fee if you do not have insurance
2-3 day turnaround time

Sunset Community Health Center -SOMERTON
115 N Somerton Ave
Somerton, AZ 85350
(928) 627-2051
7:30 am-9:30 am Mon/Tue/Thurs - No appointment needed (First come First serve)
NO RAPID TESTING AVAILABLE
REGULAR TESTING: 175 Test kits per day
No fee to you with insurance
No fee if you do not have insurance
2-3 day turnaround time

St. Francis of Assisi Yuma – Embry Health
1815 S. 8th Ave.
Yuma, AZ 85364
(480) 376-2170
8:00 am to 4:00 pm -7 days a week
No fee

St. John Neumann Roman Catholic Yuma – Embry Health
11545 E. 40th St.
Yuma, AZ 85367
(480) 376-2170
8:00 am - 4:00 pm Mon-Sat
No fee

Arizona Desert Elementary School – Embry Health
1245 N. Main St.
San Luis, AZ 85349
(480) 376-2170
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm -7 days a week
No fee

Question of the Day: What types of COVID-19 vaccines are available? (Source: Arizona Department of Health Services)

- Currently, there are two types of FDA-authorized COVID-19 vaccines for use in the United States.

- The first type is an mRNA vaccine that has been produced by companies such as Pfizer and Moderna. mRNA vaccines work by giving our cells "instructions" to make a protein that triggers an immune response. The immune response produces antibodies that protect us from getting infected if the virus that causes COVID-19 enters the body. For more information about how these vaccines work, see ADHS mRNA Vaccines and CDC mRNA Vaccines.

- The second type is a viral vector vaccine that has been produced by companies such as Johnson & Johnson. This type of vaccine uses a harmless version of a different virus, called a "vector," to give the body information on how to protect itself. The vaccine teaches the body how to make copies of spike proteins, which are crown-like spikes on the surface of coronaviruses. They are ideal targets for vaccines, since the body, if exposed to the real virus later, will recognize it and know how to fight it off. The vaccine does NOT contain the virus that causes COVID-19, and it cannot make you sick from the virus that it uses as the vector. For more information about how these vaccines work, see CDC Viral Vector Vaccines.

- All available COVID-19 vaccines are safe and effective and do not give you COVID-19. ADHS and the CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) do not endorse one vaccine over another, but does recommend that anyone who is eligible to receive a COVID-19 vaccine do so with any of the available vaccines.

Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) recent updates can be found on the COVID-19 Reporting Dashboard.

- You can access the COVID-19 Reporting Dashboard
- You can access the COVID-19 Cases by Zip Code
- Please take note of new reporting data available on the dashboard:

- Summary
- Demographics
- COVID-19 Deaths
- Zip Code
- Confirmed COVID-19 Cases by Day
- Hospitalization
- Hospital COVID-like & Influenza-like illness Surveillance
- Laboratory Testing
- Congregate Settings with Positive COVID-19 Cases
- Hospital Bed Usage & Availability
- Ventilator Usage & Availability
- Hospital COVID-19 Specific Metrics

HOW can YOU get a flu shot in Yuma County?

The 2020-2021 Seasonal Influenza Vaccine is now available at the Health District, 2200 W. 28th Street in Yuma. Seasonal flu vaccinations are available for all individuals 6 months of age and older. The cost is $25.00 for adults and $10.00 for youth 18 years and younger. Medicare Part B, AHCCCS and Private Insurance are accepted upon presentation of card.

Flu vaccine is available BY APPOINTMENT ONLY. Please call: (928)317-4559

Yuma County health officials confirm "moderate spread" of COVID-19 throughout Yuma County. We encourage all residents to take the necessary precautions including physical distancing and staying home if you are sick. Remember to:

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds.
- Avoid touching your face, especially your eyes, nose, and mouth.
- Avoid people who are sick, and avoid groups of 10 people or more.
- Clean and disinfect frequently-touched surfaces like light switches, door knobs, electronic devices, etc.
- Stay home if you are sick so you do not expose others.
- Practice physical distancing, staying 6 feet away from others.
- Cover your mouth and nose with a cloth face cover when around others.

JOINT INFORMATION CENTER (JIC) UPDATE

NOTE, some of the below information has been updated from previous releases. Please be sure to read all segments.

YUMA COUNTY

Yuma County Government Offices PUBLIC visitation hours are (PDF LIST):

County Administration, Human Resources and Financial Services offices at 198 S. Main Street are open to the public on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The County Assessor, Treasurer, Recorder and Elections Services, located at 197 S. Main Street/192 Maiden Lane, are open to the public daily from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

County libraries continue to provide public access based on facility size and staffing to minimize exposure to COVID-19:

- The Main Library, San Luis, Somerton and Foothills Libraries will have metered access based on size and staffing, with a limit on the number of people in the library at one time.
- Heritage, Dateland, Wellton and Roll Libraries will be by appointment only, due to their smaller staffing.
- Please visit the [Library's website](#) for more information on hours and available services.

CITY OF YUMA

City Hall is open 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays. Face masks are required. Patrons should please use the marked social distance spacing in customer service areas.

To honor our healthcare workers and the sacrifices they make, the City of Yuma has launched Adopt-a-Nurse Yuma, an initiative to pool local resources to provide meals and other encouragement efforts for our city's healthcare workers. Yumans can participate by making a donation, or dropping off a thank-you, Christmas or holiday card. Residents can also simply reach out to an acquaintance in the healthcare field to thank them for the work they are doing on behalf of our entire region. Individuals, businesses, and community organizations interested in supporting the initiative are encouraged to contact Arlyn Galaviz at arlyn.galaviz@yumaaz.gov.

Marine Corps Air Station - Yuma

Effective 04 September, the Trusted Traveler Program has been reinstated. Visitors without a CAC or DOD identification will be allowed to enter with a sponsor. Visitors will be required to provide justification for needing access to the installation and granted access to the base with someone who has a CAC or DOD identification card who will be sponsoring/escorting them aboard the base.

Under the program, sponsors and/or guests may be subject to a background check.

Safety measures are still required by MCAS Yuma in order to help stop the spread of COVID-19.

YUMA PROVING GROUND

Although certain access restrictions directed by the Department of the Army are in place, Yuma Proving Ground's essential test mission in support of Army modernization priorities continues. Access to Yuma Proving Ground is currently restricted to the following:

* YPG residents, including Travel Camp residents
* YPG employees
* Civilian contractors who work at YPG
* Other personnel who come to YPG for an authorized purpose (including personnel on official orders to YPG, DoD retirees/ID card holders, and delivery drivers)

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